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The Weather

Arkansas: Not quite so cold this afternoon and tonight.

# British Pursuing Rommel

## Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Praiseworthy Pride, Mr. Sergeant  
Christmas-Tree Fires—Take Care!

Editor The Star: Some time ago my father had The Star sent to me. At that time I was a private. Now I have a sergeant's rating.

"I would like very much if you could change the paper's label to read, 'Sergeant'."

"I really enjoy reading The Star. Let me know before my time runs out."

So goes a letter to us dated December 10 from an Army camp in Kentucky.

I think the soldier has commendable pride in an earned promotion from the ranks.

I haven't published the signature to this letter because, (1) Promotions are published as the Army officially releases them and I think this has already been reported, and (2) What he asks of us we can't do, and I am having to write him a personal letter about it.

The Star sends subscriptions to men in the Armed Forces at half rate, assuming that the amount paid covers the postage, leaving the actual newspaper as a donation. We do that for the same reason that the government waives taxes and other profit items on cigarettes, etc., sold to soldiers in camp.

Since the Russian offensive started Nov. 10 on the Stalingrad front and six days later on the central front no important German progress has been reported in the effort to restore Nazi positions.

Military observers expressed belief, however, that any deadlock would be shortlived. They asserted that as the winter deepened, increasing German difficulties more than Russian, the opportunity would come for the Red Army to deal heavy new blows before the German command could extricate its forces now in difficulties between the Don and Volga rivers west of Stalingrad, and around Rzhev.

The Red Army now has massed artillery along its newly won lines and its battering enemy concentrations south and west of Stalingrad and keeping up a protective fire northwest of the city while the Russians consolidate their positions.

The Germans, who were caught unprepared a year ago by an unusually severe winter, had better luck this year. The winter has been mild so far, permitting them to keep their tanks in operation. Although the first snows have fallen, they have left only a thin coat and heavy, clogging drifts have not yet occurred.

There are no signs, however, that the enemy has been able to improve his position between the Don and the Volga since the start of the Red Army offensive.

Despite the loss of 100,000 men in their siege of Stalingrad and 94,000 more in the Stalingrad area during the Russian offensive—figures announced officially by the Russians—the Germans were able to launch "a powerful attack with considerable forces" south of the city yesterday, a communiqué said.

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## GOP to Seek to End NYA, FSA, Reorganize OPA

—Washington

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

Washington, Dec. 14.—(P)—Reorganization of the Office of Price Administration and of Congress itself, and abolition of the National Youth Administration and the Farm Security Administration were listed by House Republican leaders today as among their first objectives in the 78th congress.

They said that they expected that many Democrats, lukewarm toward Roosevelt's administration, would support at least part of their program.

Reorganization of congressional procedure was placed high on the agenda by Representative Dirksen of Illinois, long a dominant voice in House Republican circles.

"I intend to introduce at the very start of the new congress next month a resolution that I hope will lead to a streamlining of congressional procedure," Dirksen said.

His resolution will call for creation of a special committee to study the entire subject and to make the recommendations for more efficient operation. Dirksen has advocated establishment of a joint congressional war committee to coordinate the work now done by more than half a dozen Senate and House committees.

Not since the days of Andrew Jackson has there been any substantial change in the congressional procedure," Dirksen said. "It seems to me that it is about time for a little modernization in the interest of efficiency."

Dirksen, who expounded his views after consulting with party leaders, said he believed the new congress should and would "honorably discharge" the National Youth Administration and the Farm Security Administration. Both of these agencies, he averred, no longer are needed.

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## Tom Bryant, Ex-Fire Chief of Hope, Dies

Tom R. Bryant, 47, former fire chief of Hope, died at his home here yesterday. He had lived here many years. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

He is survived by his widow, four daughters, Hazel, Jean and Mrs. Glendon Huckabee, all of Hope, Mrs. Foster City of Little Rock, a son, Fred Bryant and a brother, Jewell Bryant of Hope and a sister, Mrs. C. C. Robinson of Texas.

Active pallbearers: Melvin Rittig, Tom Duckett, H. Hawthorne, Oscar Wyatt, T. A. Willis and L. Carleson.

## Temperature Hits 27 Degrees Here

The mercury hits 27 degrees early today according to the Experiment Station's weather department, the coldest day of December. The temperature went down 24 degrees on November 26, the coldest day of the season.

## Records of Meat Sales Must Be Kept

Every person in Arkansas who slaughters and delivers to others even so much as one animal for which beef, veal, lamb, mutton or pork is obtained, is subject to a meat restriction order issued by the Office of Price Administration. October 1, it was announced today by Chairman T. S. McDavitt of Hempstead County War Price and Rationing Board.

Records of all slaughter for delivery to others must be kept and be available to OPA inspectors by everyone from the country butcher or farmer to the largest packing house.

The large meat packers are limited in their civilian deliveries to 70 per cent of the beef, 75 per cent of the pork, 95 per cent of the lamb and mutton and 100 per cent of the veal delivered in the corresponding quarter of 1941.

To relieve this burden—indeed, to make it bearable at all—it is necessary for American farmers, stockraisers and dairymen to produce shortfalls.

The Process of rope making was known to nearly all primitive peoples.

## Flashes of Life

By The Associated Press

Vile Insult

Indianapolis — A thief added insult to injury to Jack Ladin,

When Ladin, who has an "A" gasoline rationing card went out to his car yesterday he found a thief had siphoned all of the gasoline out of the tank.

That was bad, but the thief had filled the tank with water and it was frozen solid. Mechanics worked for 7-1/2 hours before they could get the tank, gasoline pump, carburetor and fuel lines thawed out.

There's A Meat Shortage, Too

El Monte, Calif. — There's a shortage of reindeer as well as men in these parts.

That's why old St. Nick's sleigh will be drawn by a team of lions in the Christmas parade. The animals, from a nearby lion farm, are trained—and tame—the owners assured.

Share The Ride

Billing, Mont. — Crow Indian families are getting almost double

## Retail Sales 15 Per Cent Higher

St. Louis, Dec. 14.—(P)—Department store sales in the eighth Federal Reserve District in November were 15 per cent higher than in a corresponding period last year, the Federal Reserve Bank reported.

Sales in St. Louis increased nine per cent; Memphis 31; Little Rock, 27; Springfield, Mo., 14; Fort Smith, Ark., 23, and 11 per cent in Pine Bluff and El Dorado, Ark., and Jackson, Tenn.

Washington, Dec. 14.—(P)—Fate of damaged Japanese destroyer task force which sought to strengthen Nippon's isolated fingerhold in northwestern Guadalcanal island remained hidden today in the wake of a flurry of Allied offensive blows all along Pacific battle points.

At least one of 11 enemy destroyers was sunk and from four to seven others were known to have been hit by American sea and sky slingers. Navy officers said no doubt hundreds of Japanese were sent to a watery grave as a result of the action.

But whether some of the destroyers weathered the two-day storm of late blows late last week and reached their beleaguered desolomors outpost with supplies and troops was not stated in the Sunday Navy communiqué which also told of other American attacks in the southwestern scene as well as a sky stab in the winter-locked North Pacific.

In the Buna area of New Guinea, too, the Japs were on the receiving end as Allied forces poured a torrent of artillery and mortar shells into enemy positions. Allied headquarters in Australia, which reported the shelling, said fighting planes bombed and strafed the enemy throughout Sunday and a reconnaissance unit shot down two Japanese fighters.

The authorities still were without knowledge today of the cause of the disaster but an eyewitness said the fire "seemed to do its dreadful work in 10 minutes".

The terrified dancers, trying to force their way out through the four exits of the building piled up in tangled masses of bodies.

Sixty-nine of the dead had been identified last night; of the 41 unclaimed, many were so burned as to be unrecognizable. It was not known how many women were lost and exact figures were not announced on the number of Canadian Navy, Army and Air Force personnel lost.

Some who escaped from the hospital said the fire began in the auditorium and dance hall while others asserted an explosion seemed to come from the kitchen and then the whole building was engulfed by flames.

From Boston, word came that Mayor Tobin had offered assistance to sorority tried medical facilities at St. John's. He offered to rush supplies of blood plasma by plane to treat the badly-injured and also offered the services of Dr. Charles C. Lund, Boston City hospital expert on burns who treated victims of the night club fire.

Meanwhile, new raids against Japan's new Munda airfield on North Georgia island—only 160 miles from Guadalcanal—brought indication that previous bombing had rendered the base temporarily useless. For two days, army Flying Fortresses plastered the field with more than 27,500 pounds of bombs, ripping the flight strip with four 1,000-pounders, and neither time was any enemy aerial opposition reported. In both instances, all American planes returned.

Far to the north, three army medium bombers struck at Kiska island, blasting a grounded and already damaged Japanese ship and bombing and strafing shore installations.

No inflammable paper decorations were used ordinarily in the hostel but it was not known definitely whether special Christmas streamers may have been strung in the auditorium and dance hall for Saturday's dance.

Besides being a recreation center, the hostel had roomy dormitories upstairs for the homeless service men. Twisted, blackened and covered with ice, the iron beds that stood there were the only concrete proofs today that a hostel once stood on the charred ground.

Crewmen told newsmen that "present known survivors" among the passengers and crew totalled 1,049 and that some 350 Italian prisoners were rescued by "six or seven" submarines which surfaced after the attack. One of the subs was Italian, the others German.

Loss of the ship previously was announced by the British but without any details.

The Navy released the survivors' accounts today. The sinking occurred as the transport was on the last lap of a voyage from Suez, the Italian had been taken aboard.

Mutiny on the Bounty

Topeka, Kas.—A farmer drove to the court house to report he had a dead coyote in the back of the car and wanted the \$1 bounty.

Deputy County Clerk Mary Hawness reached in to punch the customary three holes in the ear but yanked and withdrew her hand, minus the tip of a finger.

"Must of just stunned him," apologized the farmer.

Polar Bears

Chicago — Five hardy members of the Polar Bears Club broke the ice and plunged into Lake Michigan for a dip. The temperature was mighty close to zero and the snow tickled their feet.

The hearing opening this morning was in charge of Chief Examiner Frank A. Hampton of the FPC. Eugene P. Locke, Dallas, Tex., headed the pool's battery of seven lawyers. Representatives of the state utility commissions of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas announced they would be represented and Arkansas' commission was prepared to intervene in the hearing if rates charged consumers in this state by one of the pool members seemed likely to be affected.

Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the DeAnza Church with burial in the DeAnza Cemetery.

She is survived also by four other daughters, Mrs. Lenna Allen of Hope, Mrs. Robert Wylie of Emmet, Mrs. Meredith Cumbie of Emmet and Mrs. Corrie Towell of Jacksonville, Fla., 3 sons, Louis Breed of Hope, Clinton and Otis Breed of Emmet.

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## At Least One Jap Destroyer Sunk, Others Hit

### Bulletins

JESUIT LEADER DIES Bern, Switzerland, Dec. 14 (P)—Father Count Vladimir Ledochowski, general of the Jesuit order since 1915, died last night in Valen City. He was 76.

RAF BOMBS BURMA

New Delhi, Dec. 14.—(P)—Wellington bombers of the RAF attacked the Japanese airbase at Maigwe, Burma, last night, scoring hits on runways and aircraft dispersal bases, a British communiqué announced today. All the British planes returned safely, the bullet said.

ETHIOPIA AT WAR

London, Dec. 14.—(P)—The Ethiopian legation announced today that it had been advised from Addis Ababa that the Ethiopian government has declared war on Germany, Japan and Italy.

STILLWELL IN INDIA

New York, Dec. 14.—(P)—Lieutenant General Joseph W. Stillwell, commander of United States forces in China, Burma and India, was reported by the all-India radio today to have arrived at Allied headquarters in New Delhi from Chungking. The broadcast was recorded here by CBS.

WAVELL TO CEYLON

Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—(P)—General Sir Archibald Percival Wavell, commander-in-chief of the Indian Army, has just concluded a flying visit to Ceylon, where he conferred with senior officers of the Ceylon command, it was disclosed today.

ENGINEER DIES

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 14.—(P)—Harte Cooke, 71, senior engineer of the diesel division of the American Locomotive Company, died today.

BRITISH SUICIDES

Liverpool, England, Dec. 14.—(P)—Major Sir Henry John Delvers Broughton, tried and acquitted in Africa last year of charges of slaying the Earl of Erroll, committed suicide with an overdose of medicine "while the balance of his mind was disturbed," a coroner's jury found today.

KING GEORGE IV

London, Dec. 14.—(P)—Six months from the official celebration, King George VI observed his 47th birthday today.

The king observes his birthday officially in June because the season is more favorable for traditional ceremonies.

13 BELGIANS EXECUTED

London, Dec. 14.—(P)—Thirteen more Belgians have been executed after conviction by a German court of possessing firearms and engaging in anti-German activity, the free Belgian telegraphic agency reported today.

Ship Carrying Axis Prisoners Sunk by Sub

An East Coast Port, Dec. 14.—(P)—A large British ship carrying over 2,500 persons including 1,800 Italian prisoners of war, was torpedoed and sunk off West Africa last September survivors reported on arrival here.

The irregular Axis line ran from El Brega, no the coast east of El Agheila, 20 miles southeast to Belalal, thence 40 miles southwest of El Agheila and then another 40 miles south to Marada.

Military informants in London said it was probable that Rommel came to the conclusion he was in for a beating if he stayed at El Agheila, so he just pulled out to head off certain disaster.)

Rommel quit the most defensible position left to him east of Tripoli, it was pointed out, and it was likely that the Germans and Italians would fight strong rearguard action until they get to that port.

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**Municipal Court**

City: Jim McFadden, operating a Gam-

bling House, forfeited \$100.00 cash

bond.

Clifford Barfield, gaming, plea of

guilty, fined \$10.00.

John Turner (Col) gaming, plea

of guilty, fined \$10.00.

M. H. Webb, gaming, plea of

guilty, fined \$10.00.

The following forfeited a \$10.00

cash bond on a charge of gaming:

Paul Taylor, Eddie Williams (Col),

Richard Brandon, William Walker,

D. K. Carson, John Phillips, Fred

Sykes, Carl Carrington, Harold

Sanders, Frank Noble.

M. C. Maxey, double parking,

forfeited \$1.00 cash bond.

The following entered a plea of

guilty to a charge of drunkenness

and were assessed a penalty of \$10

fine: Til Hargis, Jack Miller, Otis

Greathouse, Rex Jones, Leonard

Hickman.

The following forfeited a \$10.00

cash bond on a charge of drunkenness:

W. J. Johnson, Wylie Fair-

child, J. W. Shadley, Herbie Downs,

Rod White, Buddy Brown, Bernard

Strong.

State: Horton Hasken assault with intent

to kill, examination waived, held to

grand jury, bond fixed at \$500.00.

Robert Warren, disturbing peace,

plea of guilty, fined \$100.00.

Ida Brewer, petit larceny, dis-

missed on payment of cost on mo-

tion Pros. Atty.

Emmett Curry, disturbing peace,

dismissed on motion Pros. Atty.

Cleveland Warren, disturbing

peace, dismissed on motion Pros. Atty.

James Stuart, disturbing the

peace, dismissed on motion Pros. Atty.

**Our Daily Bread**

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duce the attainable maximum of

all foodstuffs from now on.

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Decimated by enlistment, the

draft and the lure of highway war

industry, unable to obtain labor-

saving machinery, the food pro-

ducers must step up their programs

beyond even the 1942 record-smash-

ing peaks.

The new farm problem is not the

farmer's headache. The farmer

could ease along doing quite well

for himself with prices as they are.

He could, but he won't. He will

work all out to provide the food

needed by his country, its allies and

the famished peoples of occupied

nations.

In this gigantic task, he is entitled

to all possible assistance from the

government and from each individ-

ual.

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**Unappreciated Sex**

Manpower Commissioner Paul

McNutt calls women the "unap-

preciated sex." He is speaking, need-

less to say, of industry's reluctance

to hire women for plant work. The

British, says McNutt, have demon-

strated that women are capable of

doing four out of five war jobs,

some better than men.

In two years American industry

has occupied its use of womanpow-

er, from less than half a million to

about four million. McNutt pre-

dicts that before the end of next

year the figure will reach six mil-

lion.

Was the small number of women

working in factories evidence that

they were the "unappreciated sex"?

Or did it suggest that American

men appreciate their womenfolk so

much, they like, when they can, to

keep them at home?

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**No S. S. Harry Bridges**

The serious suggestion that a

Liberty Ship be named for Harry

Bridges, leader in a C. I. O. group

which, until Russia was attacked,

was delaying American war pro-

duction, is shocking. Not only

should the idea be repudiated, but

the person who sponsored it in the

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**Deaths Last Night**

DR. DAVIS R. DEWEY Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 14—(P)—Dr. Davis Rich Dewey, 84, noted economist and brother of Dr. John Dewey, the educator, died last night.

DR. R. R. TAYLOR Tuskegee, Ala., Dec. 14—(P)—Dr. R. R. Taylor, 76, Vice President Emeritus of Tuskegee Institute, died last night.

Judge Luther Barnes North Brookfield, Mass., Dec. 14—(P)—Judge Luther Emerson Barnes, 99, believed to be one of the oldest judges in the country, died last night.

OPENINGS FOR GIRLS WHO CAN write 50 words a minute on the typewriter and would like to move to Hot Springs for teletype work. Pay is 30c an hour while learning, and 35c to 40 an hour after speed is acquired. Overtime for all over 40-hour week. Teletype keyboard is same as typewriter keyboard, with several extra characters. If interested, come to Hope Star office for interview. 11-tp

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE HEARS ATTORNEY General Biddle and others on legality of some censoshir populations. (1 p.m.)

House Routine session (11 a.m.) Saturday

Senate and House in recess.

**Help Wanted**

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# SOCIETY

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor

Telephone 768

All society news must reach this office by 10 a.m. to insure publication the same day.

## Social Calendar

Monday, December 14th  
The Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, the church, 3 o'clock.

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church will meet at the church for a Mission Study, 2:30 o'clock.

The Young Business Women's Circle of the First Baptist church will meet in the home of Mrs. M. S. Bates Monday evening, 7:30. Transportation will be provided from the church for those who do not have cars.

The Little Moon Christmas program will be held at the home of Mrs. Hugh Jones, 7:30 p.m. Transportation will be provided from the church.

Tuesday, December 15th  
The American Legion Auxiliary, the Legion hall, 2:30. Each member is asked to bring a Christmas gift for exchange.Tuesday, December 15th  
The Food and Nutrition classes including the first 3 groups and the last class will meet Tuesday evening, 7:30, in the basement of the First Methodist church for a Christmas cookery demonstration. Demonstrations will be given by all food and nutrition instructors. Miss Mary Claude Fletcher urges all interested to attend as credits for certificates will be given.

The Gleaners, Althean, and Berean classes of the First Baptist church will have their annual Christmas party at the church, 7:30 o'clock. All members are invited.

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Bob Hope Madeliene Carroll

in

"My Favorite Blonde"

Starts Tuesday

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Lon Chaney Dick Foran

in

"The Mummy's Tomb"

also

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Lupe Vilez Lean Errol

in

"Mexican Spitfire's Elephant"

## Vaunted Chicago Bears Lose Pro Title to Redskins

By PAT O'BRIEN

Washington, Dec. 14—(AP)—The Washington Redskins, a vastly underrated club if ever there was one, occupy the top rung of the football ladder today and they'll probably remain there for the duration.

Magnificent line play along with some superb passing and kicking by Stringy Sammy Baugh thrilled 36,000 frozen but happy spectators as the Redskins trampled all over the hitherto unbeatable Chicago Bears yesterday to win the professional football championship by a score of 14 to 6.

"We beat their pants off," gloated KI Aldrich, 210-pound Washington center from Texas Christian who played the full 60 minutes and was the outstanding performer in a forward wall that stopped the Bears vaunted "T" formation cold.

Aldrich, West Willie Wilkin, Bob Masterson, Ed Cifers, Bill Young and others of the Redskins line turned in what unquestionably was the greatest exhibition of blocking and tackling and charging seen in the pro league all season. Chicago's Sid Luckman, Gary Famiglietti, Frank Macszynski, Bill Osmanski, Hugh Gallarneau, Ray Nottingham, Little Mac Collier, Miss Katherine Sterling, Mrs. Harold Hartsfield, Miss Clara Parrish, Miss Ruby Bennett, Miss Hazel Griffin, Miss Charlene McCorkle, Mrs. Henry Grey, Mrs. Pauline Bernard, Mrs. Francis Rider, Miss Mildred Purtle, Miss Muriel Coffee, Miss Martha Albright, Mrs. Betty Massey, Miss Mabel Schneiter, and De Author Riders.

After the games the hostess served a delicious dessert course. Each guest was presented with a lovely gift by Little Miss Sylvian Ann Maysey and Master Jimmie Miller.

Wednesday, December 16th  
Mrs. Hollie Luck and Mrs. O. A. Graves will be hostesses to the Jet B. Graves Sunday school class of the First Methodist church at the home of the former, 7:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all members.

The wedding of Miss Doris Stuart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stuart of Ozan, and W. M. Wishart of Hope took place Monday, November 30 at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. G. L. Cagle, pastor of the Methodist church of Mineral Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wishart will make their home in Hope, where the groom is employed at the Southwestern Proving Ground.

Christmas Party is Hosted  
By Mrs. Miller

Mrs. Georgia Miller was hostess to a number of friends at her home on North Washington street Thursday evening. The home was artistically decorated in the Christmas theme.

Tables were arranged for bingo which was enjoyed by the following friends: Mrs. Wayward Burke, Miss Hautine Matison, Miss Velma Bennett, Miss Fola Booth, Miss Little Mac Collier, Miss Katherine Sterling, Mrs. Harold Hartsfield, Miss Clara Parrish, Miss Ruby Bennett, Miss Hazel Griffin, Miss Charlene McCorkle, Mrs. Henry Grey, Mrs. Pauline Bernard, Mrs. Francis Rider, Miss Mildred Purtle, Miss Muriel Coffee, Miss Martha Albright, Mrs. Betty Massey, Miss Mabel Schneiter, and De Author Riders.

Among the University of Arkansas girls arriving Wednesday to spend Christmas holidays at home are: Misses Marjory Dildy, Martha White, Nancy Sue Robins, Frances Thomas, and Nancy Hill.

Miss Mary Claude Fletcher will attend a meeting of an extension committee in Little Rock this week.

Kenneth Crank and Billy Moses, Kappa Sigma pledges at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, will arrive Wednesday for a visit with their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Crank and Mr. and Mrs. Fonzie Moses.

Personal

Bill Ramsey is a patient in a Kansas City hospital, friends will regret to know.

Mrs. James Mosley, formerly of Hope, is critically ill in a Greenville, Miss., hospital; her mother, Mrs. W. A. Price, has been notified. Mrs. Mosley is making her home in Greenville, while Lt. Lt. Mosley is stationed at the Air Base there.

## Passing Meets Little Success Against Vols

By WILLARD YARBROUGH  
Associated Press Features

Knoxville, Tenn.—Passing attacks against Tennessee this season have met with but little success — primarily because of a charging Vol line that blocks with deadliness and tackles likewise.

Tulsa Tossers Blane Dobbs, whose aerials will be unleashed against Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans on New Year's, may discover that the Volunteers know plenty about pass defense.

Tennessee's confidence in being able to throttle passing combinations this year brought joy to Coach John Barnhill. That confidence, too, was largely responsible for the Volunteers' successful season.

Famed passers, such as Steve Filipowicz of Fordham and Sophy Alvin Dark of Louisiana State, met their gridiron Waterloo against Tennessee. Dopers predicted Fordham would win with Filipowicz.

Here's what happened: Filipowicz flipped a few passes and in so doing received severe blocking by Tennessee players. The Fordham passing attack vanished when Filipowicz staggered off the field not to return.

And Dark? Well, he went out of the game, too, suffering perhaps a worse blow than did Filipowicz a few weeks earlier. The LSU passer didn't get back in the game either.

Coach Barnhill, whom writers call "Jolly John" because of his seriousness, stresses blocking even in spring practice. "Blocking is the best defensive weapon in the books," said Barnhill. "Perhaps it's more potent than good tackling." That's putting it mildly.

Tennessee's passing is placed secondary to the Vol running attack, but aerials have their place in the Volunteer offense. When Tennessee decides to pass, usually after its reverses on running plays fall, there's no end to it. The Vol ground attack faltered against Vanderbilt, so aerials were used to overcome the inspired Commodores.

Tennessee trailed Vanderbilt 7 to 0 just before halftime. After marching into Commodore territory, the Vols threw two passes that didn't work. They reached

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.  
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, Dec. 14—(AP)—Don't quote me, but . . . the reason why Branch Rickey took Joe Medwick off the trading block that Dodgers didn't receive a single nibble from any club . . . And the betting is 3-5 in Brooklyn that Dolph Camilli sticks to his decision to remain on his California ranch in spite of Rickey's efforts to talk him out of it. . . . Another Dodger who may be missing, Come Spring, is Arky Vaughan. He and Leo the Lip aren't exactly Ramon and Pythias . . . The "Ivy" colleagues, which always have looked on Fordham, Manhattan, Boston college, Etc., as so much "poison ivy," may be playing them in football before very long and licking it, too. Ross racing is more than likely to return to Texas next year if the guys who own the tracks can get them repaired. . . . The above statements do not necessarily reflect the opinions of this column but are the views of the guys who originated them.

## Bachman Meets Defeat

It wasn't until the end of the Michigan State football season that Coach Charey Bachman learned why Halfback Dick Kieppie turned up nearly every Monday with bruised feet that slowed his running. . . . Ten Dick finally confessed that daily practice and Sunday games hadn't satisfied his appetite for football so he used to get into sandlot touch football games on Sundays. . . . And since he had on cleats, he took off his shoes to obtain better footing when he ran.

Bachman Meets Defeat  
Pvt. Joe Medelros of Camp Blanding, Fla., is perfectly willing to do the Dodgers a good turn by becoming that Ranch Hand Dolph Camilli needs. Writing from the station hospital, Joe says he's about to be discharged from the Army and he always worked on California ranches before he went into uniform. . . . Ever hear how the private gave the major black eye and stayed out of the guard house? Well, the major is Paul E. Zehfuss of the Medical Corps. He's a former Pitt basketball star who coaches the Fort Monroe, Va. court team and he acquired the shiner by scrimmaging with his squad. "One of the boys accidentally stuck his finger in my eye," Major Zehfuss explained. . . . Soon as the weather turned cold, the athletic director at the Sioux Falls, S. D., Air Force Technical school flooded the football field and started organizing a hockey league. And in Montana The Great Falls Altitude and Fort Harrison plan to have two or three teams apiece . . . Looks as if the Army would turn out some cool customers.

"They did not see how their husbands could continue to work if they were not fed."

Thousands of Arkansas families have always used lard or shortening in most of their cooking and can't prepare food without it, the grocer official said.

Several wholesalers' distributors and a plantation operator confirmed the situation. They said cold weather would open the hog-killing

season in the country but even this would bring only relief.

America's heavy bombers are designed for daylight attack at high altitudes, with high speed, long range and powerful armament to eliminate the need for fighter protection.

Heat therapy has moved out of the hospitals and into the aircraft industry. It is used to smooth wrinkles in the aluminum skins of the wings.

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## UCLA Already at Work in Effort to Stop Georgia

Los Angeles, Dec. 14—(AP)—

UCLA's Bruins, new football champions of the Far West, participated today in a preview of the Georgia style of play.

Cece Hollingsworth, who scouted the Bulldogs in their game with Georgia Tech, directed a squad of reserves in Georgia plays. The Bruin regulars went after impersonators of Frankie Sinkwich and Charlie Trippi in a brisk game of touch football.

UCLA will not let up until the day before the New Year's game in the Pasadena Rose Bowl. Line Coach Ray Richards had charge of the squad today. The boys left heavy equipment in their lockers and were attired in light pants and sweatshirts.

Hollingsworth, one-time Bruin player, was reluctant to be drawn into a comparison of Georgia and the coast team. He predicted it should be one of the best attractions from the standpoint of the crowd, in all Rose Bowl history.

There is ample evidence in the attitude of the UCLA players that they figure they have a good chance to upset the favored Bulldogs. Much of the attention is going to be devoted to pass coverage. In fact, they began to bear down on that phase of the game two weeks ago. They had the Southern California passing game covered faultlessly last Saturday.

Best news in the Bruin camp was that George Phillips, a fast and powerful line smasher, will be ready for the Pasadena game. He has been cut nearly all season with a knee injury. Ken Snelling may start against Georgia at full, but Phillips will get plenty of work.

Porker Fresh to Play Kansas Team

Philadelphia, Dec. 14 (AP)—Lew Tandler, the old lefthander of boxing, turned restauranteur, rates Ray "Sugar" Robinson as "the kind of a fighter who comes along only once in a hundred years."

Along with some 10,000 other Philadelphiaans, Tandler plans to be at the arena tonight to watch the hard-hitting Harlem welterweight go after his 40th straight ring victory in a 10-round clash with Al Netlow, on leave from the U. S. Navy. A capacity crowd is expected although Sugar is a top-heavy favorite.

Lew, who fought such ring greats as Benny Leonard, Johnny Dundee, Terry McGovern and Rocky Kansas, and knocked out George Chaney in one round, says of Robinson that "he does everything in the ring and does it well."

"Robinson has a beautiful jab and it hurts. He can punch straight and punch up, and last, but not least, he is about the only man in the ring today who can tie up a fighter in a clinch and make it stick. I can't recall ever having seen a boxing man who had as much."

Despite Tandler's high opinion of Robinson, and the fact it is shared by many fight followers, Netlow and his manager Al Weil are far from ready to admit the fight will be a walkaway. Marty Servo, who came close to breaking Sugar's victory string a year ago, will be in Netlow's corner tonight and the Sailorman says he'll fight in the same crouching, crowding style that Servo employed.

The two or three to be chosen probably will be selected from Paul Coleman of Marion and Jimmy Sawyer of Hamburg, both six-foot forwards; Bob Hall of Greenwood, 6-2 forward; Charles Jolliff of Manila, six-foot center; and Bill Troxell of Searcy and Bob Brown of Washington, D. C., both 5-11 guards.

This Tennessee defense goes further than just stopping passes. Opponents scored 45 point against the Vols in ten engagements, most of these markers being scored against third and fourth stringers. The Tennesseeans scored 245 points.

The main passer for Tennessee is Walter Slater, a Providence, R. I., junior who substitutes for regular tailback Bobby Cifers. The 162-pound Slater can pass from any angle, with wingback Jim Gaffney ends Bud Hubbell, Al Hust and O.C. Lloyd on the receiving ends.

Humphries said he was asking the state's congressional delegation to do something about the situation, which he said was caused by large-scale government buying of the items and restrictions on distribution.

He said one Harrison wholesale grocer reported his truck was held up on the highway by four men who just wanted to see if they could find any lard. Another said his women customers declared

## WAAC Strip Teaser Ousted From Army

FORT DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 14—(AP)—The WAAC strip-teaser is out of the women's army.

The glamorous girl who was billed at Des Moines theaters as Amber d'Georg of Hollywood, but was identified later by WAAC officials as Kathryn Doris Gregory, 22, Fort Worth, Tex., an A.W.O.L. member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, was dismissed today.

The WAAC training school announced Mrs. Gregory had been given a discharge "other than honorable" following a court martial at which three WAAC third officers (second lieutenants) formed the court.

Post officials said Mrs. Gregory was still at the WAAC hospital, where she has been under treatment for a minor back injury, but was well now and is expected to leave the reservation promptly.

It was disclosed Mrs. Gregory's was the second such discharge from the WAAC. The name of the first defendant, as not disclosed.

WAAC officers said the pretty brunet would be given an allowance of 5 cents a mile back to Dallas, Tex., where she enlisted. If she lacks civilian clothing, she will be provided with the necessary portions of a WAAC uniform, stripped of all insignia.

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The new group will be on workmen's compensation, flood control, national defense and aeronautics. In addition, a second section will be added to the agriculture committee and to the public health committee of medicine committee.

Griffith, who announced personnel of the committees over the week-end, said the new units would require additional clerks but the house budget would still be only \$14,161 compared with \$160,300 for the 1941 legislature.

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## Coach Fred Thomsen Arrives in India

Fayetteville, Dec. 14—(AP)—Fred C. Thomsen, former University of Arkansas football coach, who is now a captain in the Army Air Force, has arrived in India, he cabled Mrs. Thomsen.

## State Assembly to Have 4 New Committees

Little Rock, Dec. 14 (AP)—When the 1943 general assembly meets, there will be four new committees in the House of Representatives. Speaker-Designate Robert W. Griffith announced.

The new groups will be on workmen's compensation, flood control

# Winter to Test Staying Power of Germans, Russians



(This column, conducted as a daily feature by DeWitt Mackenzie, is written today by James M. Long. Mr. MacKenzie, now touring the middle east war zone, is expected to resume in a day or two.)

By JAMES M. LONG  
The new winter drive sprung by the Red Army out of the ruins of Stalingrad and the blizzards northwest of Moscow should give military observers their best yardstick so far of the comparative staying power of the Russian and German armies.

For this is the winter for which Adolf Hitler has boasted he is well prepared. And this is the counter-drive for which Joseph Stalin has banded the sorely needed strength of his troops through the fall.

Perhaps never again, now that strong Allied forces are rapping on the Italian side - door to Hitler's Europe, will the self-styled military mastermind of the Reich be free to fling full force assaults against the eastern front. The eastward tide of Nazi conquest may have lapped at its high mark - still short of the Volga, the richest oil-fields of the Caucasus, and Moscow.

These are the questions the next few months will answer: How far can the Russians push back the German line by comparison with last winter's repulse of the Nazis?

Can Hitler again hold advanced strongpoints for a new attacking front, or only a fortified line to guard his eastern buffer front? These are factors that will weigh in the outcome:

In the first three weeks of the current Russian drive the Red Army gained Salekta 100 miles deep, penetrating from both sides of Stalingrad into the Chir River valley in the Don bend.

Last winter Russian total ground gains into the Nazi positions ranged from 50 miles to 150.

Thus the present offensive, although it is moving slowly through bitter resistance, shows at least as great a starting speed as the repulse of the Germans from the roads to Moscow a year ago.

Last winter, however, tough Moscow was saved, the Russians were unable to pinch off the advance strongpoints to whose fortifications the Nazis still cling.

Russia, Vyazma, Bryansk, all potential threats on the Moscow front.

This winter, along with the pincer attack into the Don bend west of Moscow, the Red Army is undertaking anew to clean out the Rzhev-Vyazma strongpoints.

That would indicate that the Red Army is willing to test its strength in the snows of two fronts almost 500 miles apart.

Hitler did not feel that strong this past summer and fall. Although his 1942 gains were comparable in depth to those of 1941, it must be recalled that in the first year of his war with Russia his armies attacked from the Black sea to the Arctic circle. In the second year he concentrated his drive on the 300 mile southern front between Voronezh and Rostov. Elsewhere he hung on as best he could.

The Russian offensives, as they stand now, are within 100 miles of

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## Arkansas At War, AP Series Starts Tuesday

By SAM G. HARRIS

Little Rock, Dec. 14 - (AP) - It's a dog-eared, unimposing book. It has a manila cover and no back. It is bound with a single brass brad through the upper right corners of its typewritten pages. Hand printed with heavy pencil across the Manila cover are the words: "The War in Arkansas."

The book, too heavy and bulky for classroom or library use, is a history — a chronology of a patriotic state's efforts, losses, heartbreaks, suspense, elation and enthusiasm during the first year of the global war. The volume was closed Dec. 8, a new one begun.

Chronologies frequently have little interest to those who are not vitally involved in the chronicle. But, all Arkansas — every one of its two million odd inhabitants has a personal interest in this chronology.

It's a book of many authors — some whose bylines are known by where, some unknown. Its characters are countless. Its locale is Iceland, Australia, North Africa, Dutch Harbor, Shanghai, Tokyo, Midway, Palaua, Batataan, the Coral Sea, the Solomons, the Atlantic, Corregidor, the Caribbean sea, the Pacific, Java, Burma — but always Arkansas.

The book, compiled by Associated Press staff men in Little Rock from dispatches from all over the world, will be reviewed in a series of three articles beginning Tuesday. The articles, a terse digest of the highlights of the first year of war in Arkansas, will deal with the home front, casualties and heroes.

Tomorrow the home front.

**U. S. Bombers Raid Jap Base New Georgia**

Washington, Dec. 14 - (AP) — American air forces in the South Pacific were reported by the Navy today to be continuing their heavy bombardment of the new Japanese air base at Munda on New Georgia island in the central Solomons.

Navy communiqué number 219: "South Pacific: (All dates are east longitude)"

"On December 13: "(A) Ground action on Guadalcanal island was limited to routine patrol activity.

"(B) A lone enemy plane dropped three bombs in the vicinity of our airfield.

"(C) United States planes continued bombing attacks on the enemy installations and airfield at Munda."

The Sunday attack on the Munda airfield as reported today apparently was the fourth heavy aerial assault made on the enemy base, constructed as a buffer and an offensive threat to the American airfield on Guadalcanal.

The Munda positions were first attacked on December 9, according to Navy communiques.

Army Flying Fortresses again attacked them on December 11, when 155 bombs, weighing 100 pounds each, were dropped on the airfield. Again on December 12 the fortresses returned to the attack, scoring four 1,000 pound bomb hits on the flight strip and dropping 80 100-pound bombs in the base area.

No American planes were lost in those attacks and there was no mention of any interception on the part of the Japanese Zero fighters, facts which led to the speculation here that the Japs apparently have not put the field into full operation and that the Pacific command had chosen for its destruction the moment that which the enemy had expended a maximum of effort in creating it without yet being able to give adequate protection.

## Deadline for Emergency Gas for Trucks

Use of emergency receipt form R-555 as invoked November 28th to care for truck, fleet, official and non-highway users of gasoline who had not received their ration book to be discontinued midnight December 15.

Continued use of form R-555 will be permitted for consumers after December 15th only to meet an emergency involving serious threat to life, health or valuable property, as provided in ration order 5C, section 1394, 8156 paragraph (b).

the Latvian frontier on the north, and 150 miles of Rostov at the south.

One obvious Sovier strategy would be to drive a corridor down the Don to Rostov and the Black Sea. That would cut off the whole Nazi salient into the Caucasus. It would cost Hitler dear in men and material and prestige. It would doom his hopes of a great oil-gaining drive into the southeast — by any other route save, perhaps, through Turkey.

But to accomplish this would necessitate a clean-up of the powerful German forces yet entrenched in the debris of Stalingrad and holding in force along a 30 to 50-mile wide corridor of escape or reinforcement to the west.

## Market Report

### ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., Dec. 14 - (AP) — (U. S. Dept. Agr.) — Hogs, 16,000; weights over 170 lbs. mostly 15 to 25 hinger; lighter weights 10 higher; sows unevenly strong to 15 higher; bulk good and choice 180-300 lbs. 13.00-14.00; largely 14.00 on weights up to 270 lbs.; few early sales down to 13.85; practical top 14.05; hind load 14.10; 140-160 lbs. 13.25-13.75; 100-130 lbs. 12.25-13.00; sows 13.15-13.65; largely 13.25-13.50.

Cattle, 5,000; calves, 2,000; steers in moderate supply; mixed yearlings and heifers slow; medium steers and other slaughter classics steady; medium steers 9.00-10.75; cannery and cutters 6.50-8.75; medium and good sausage bulls 10.50-12.00; good and choice veiners 15.50; medium and good 13.00 and 14.25; nominal range slaughter steers 10.75-16.50; slaughter heifers 9.00-15.75; stockers and feeders 9.00-13.50.

Sheep, 3,500; market not established.

### NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 14 - (P) — A little more tax selling and switching in today's stock market raised volume to one of the best levels in more than a month without altering the generally irregular price picture.

While individual firm spots were present from the start, many leaders failed to make progress and trends remained foggy at the close. Variations were small in most cases although a few wider spreads were in evidence.

Low-priced issues turned over in stable blocks and special offerings of 12,000 shares of twin coach and 6,700 Du Pont, both heavily oversubscribed, not only bolstered sentiment but helped activity. There were many slow intervals but the day's aggregate was round 700,000 shares. A year ago dealings were much speedier and the direction was sharply downward. Wall Street suggested that tax adjustments in the current December so far have been well under those of the like 1941 month.

**POULTRY AND PRODUCE**

Chicago, Dec. 14 - (AP) — Poultry live 16 trucks; firm; hens, over 5 lbs. 22-1.2, 5 lbs. and down, 23 lbs. 22-1.5; leg-horns hens 18-1.2; broilers, 2-1.2 lbs. and down, colored 26; Plymouth rock 28, white rock 27; spring, 5 lbs. up colored 22; Plymouth rock 23, white rock 23; 12 under 4 lbs. 22-12, 22-12, Plymouth rock 25-12, white rock 26-1.2; broiler chickens 1920; roasters 16-1.2; leghorn roosters 16; ducks 10.

Oats: No. 1 mixed 53 1-2-54; No. 1 white 55.

**Wheat**

Dec.-high, 1.32 1-2; low, 1.315-8

close, 1.32 1-4.

May-high, 1.33 12; low, 1.32 7-8;

close, 1.33-1.34 1-8.

**Corn**

Dec.-high, 87-1-4; low, 86 7-8; close

87-87-1-8.

May-high, 91 1-8; low, 84-85

close, 90 7-8-11.

**NEW YORK COTTON**

New York, Dec. 14 - (P) — Cotton futures prices moved in a narrow range today with the undertone firm.

Late afternoon values were 15 to

40 cents a bale higher. Dec. 19, 13, Mch. 18, 22, May 16, 17.

Futures closed 40 to 65 cents a bale higher.

Dec.-opened, 19.19; closed, 19.16-17

Jan. — closed, 19.92N

Mar. opened, 18.87; closed 18.67-87

**N-Nominal**

**A combat plane requires one to two tons of aluminum.**

May—opened, 18.75; closed 18.74-75

Jly — opened, 18.61; closed, 18.61

Oct — opened, 18.55; closed, 18.55

Middling spot 20.52N, up 9

N-Nominal

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**FIGHT!**

**CHAPTER XXV**

THAT night, after a long and dangerous Odyssey, Trygve Mortensen came home to his father's house. He had fled up the coast from Oslo, hiding by day in the forests and little inlets, and night after night pounding across the wind in a small boat just off shore.

The old man was asleep, and woke in a fright to see the dark figure standing in the door.

"It's I," said Trygve. "It's I, father."

Mortensen, still half dazed, stumbled across the floor to his son by the arm. "Trygve," he said, "it is really you."

His wife sat up and struck a match to the lamp. "Who?" she cried. "Who?"

"It's Trygve."

Mortensen kept feeling his son's arms and shoulders, looking up at the lean face, the hard and bitter mouth. "How you have changed," he said. "What a man you are. Did they set you free?"

"No," Trygve said, and turned away with his hands in his pockets.

Trygve sat down, cap on his knees. "I came home to fight."

The old man, trembling with eagerness, asked him question after question, but the strange boy, who had grown into a man since his father had last seen him, did not even try to answer them all. His mother gave him, munching at black bread with slow, regular movements of his bony jaws, and gazing around in silent contemplation at the beams and walls and windows he had known since he was a child.

"In the morning," he said, "I want to talk with Gunnar Brogge."

"But you don't know the news," his father cried. "They've taken him prisoner. He's a hostage."

"I see," the boy said, and ate a while longer. "Is my bed still here?"

"Of course, of course. Wife, get the coat and blanket for Trygve. He wants to go to sleep."

Trygve stood up. "So Gunnar is a hostage. Are there others?"

"Two, Jensen and Bratgaard."

"Where are they held?"

"In the hotel."

"I see." The boy stretched. "It's late," he said. "Can you wake me up at seven?"

"Of course. But you have to be careful. I don't know if it would be safe for you to appear on the streets. What do you want to do?"

"Get them out."

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ON Friday night, three days after the hostages had been arrested,

Katja stole a pistol from a soldier's room.

At about 11 that night she walked down the hall, into the captain's cubicle, and fired at him twice, sending one bullet into the wall, the other into his right elbow. The corridor was thrown into a tumult by the shots. Men came tumbling out of their beds and down the hall, half dressed. When the guard broke in and seized her, she was standing quietly, looking down at the captain, with the pistol at her side.

They locked her in the cellar and went to fetch the doctor. He extracted the bullet, bound up the wound, and prescribed a quarter of a grain of morphine out of the army stores. Konig lay propped on a couch, obviously in great pain. He had remained utterly motionless while the doctor was probing